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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 21, 2001, applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Presented below are the claims, as amended, with changes entered and not marked.

- 1 19. (Amended) A system comprising:
- an interface coupled to a system bus that receives requests from a Basic Input
- Output System (BIOS) via the system bus;
- 4 a first disk drive;